

shall not exceed in any one year twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of the taxable property in said county, and a tax upon each taxable poll, observing the constitutional equation in the levy and collection of the same.

SEC. 3. That the matured coupons upon said bonds shall be receivable in payment of all taxes levied under the provisions of this act. Coupons receivable for special tax.

SEC. 4. That the taxes collected in pursuance of this act shall be kept separate and distinct from all other county taxes, and shall be paid to the treasurer of said county, and by him, under the supervision of the board of commissioners, be applied exclusively to the payment of the said coupons, or to the purchase or liquidation of any of the said bonds; and any bonds thus bought or paid shall be delivered to the said board to be destroyed. Application of special tax.

SEC. 5. That any officer of said county, or any person having control of the money collected under this act, who shall misapply or use the same for any other purpose than as above provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned at the discretion of the court. Misapplication of fund by county officer. Misdemeanor.

SEC. 6. It shall be lawful for any officer in said county to purchase any of said coupons at such price as may be agreed upon between the purchaser and seller, to the amount of his individual county tax levied under this act, and for no greater sum in any one year. County officer authorized to purchase coupons to the amount of his special tax.

SEC. 7. The county commissioners of Harnett county shall within six months after the ratification of this act take steps to submit the question of levying the special tax herein provided for to the qualified voters of their county; and if a majority of such votes shall be in favor of levying the tax, then said commissioners shall be fully empowered to levy the aforesaid tax according to the provision of this act; but if a majority of said voters shall be against the levying of said tax, then the said commis- Election.